

May 6, 1965

## **Mrs Gertrude McKiver**

Services were held at 2:30 o'clock, Wednesday, May 5, at the First Presbyterian Church of Groton for Mrs. Gertrude McKiver, who passed away at her home early Sunday, May 2, after an illness of four months. The Rev. Robert Carey officiated and burial was in the Groton cemetery.

Casket bearers were five grandsons, namely, Gary McKiver, Neil McKiver, Richard Fliehs Jr., Jack Larsen, Robert Van Kempen and Jack Chilton, a grand nephew. Honorary pall bearers were Clayton Deitz, Hans Fangen, Jack Johnson, William Klaus, Earl Meredith and Vance E. Miller. Music was furnished by a quartet consisting of Mrs. Robert Carey, Mrs. Amos Doeringsfeld, Randall Hall Jr. and Lee Schinkel accompanied by Mrs. Joe Williams.

Gertrude Chapin was born Dec. 27, 1880 at Ionia, Mich., to Clarence and Elizabeth Chapin. In early 1882, she moved with her parents to the Groton area where she continued to reside until her death. She attended the Groton public school. In 1901, she was married to Angus McKiver. To this union eight children were born.

Mrs. McKiver was a member of the First Presbyterian Church of Groton, the United Presbyterian Women and was a charter member of the Phosde Club to which she belonged for many years.

She will be remembered as a woman of high ideals who was devoted to her family and home.

Survivors include two sons, Donald, Portland, Ore.; Wallace of Stratford;